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Interview Summary

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Date of Interview: 04 February 2004.

Type: a) ☒ Telephonic b) ☐ Video Conference
c) ☐ Personal [copy given to: 1) ☐ applicant 2) ☐ applicant's representative]

Exhibit shown or demonstration conducted: d) ☐ Yes e) ☒ No.
If Yes, brief description: _____.

Claim(s) discussed: Proposed claims 41-43.

Identification of prior art discussed: Murphy et al (US 6,282,362) and Walker (US 6,490,409).

Agreement with respect to the claims f) ☐ was reached. g) ☐ was not reached. h) ☒ N/A.

Substance of Interview including description of the general nature of what was agreed to if an agreement was reached, or any other comments: See Continuation Sheet.

(A fuller description, if necessary, and a copy of the amendments which the examiner agreed would render the claims allowable, if available, must be attached. Also, where no copy of the amendments that would render the claims allowable is available, a summary thereof must be attached.)

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Continuation of Substance of Interview including description of the general nature of what was agreed to if an agreement was reached, or any other comments:

The attorney of record faxed a proposed amendment and arguments to examiner on 21-January-2004. The proposed amendment was discussed in view of the newly proposed claims 40-42. The attorney presented his arguments as to how the present invention was different from the cited prior art, in that the combination of the cited references did not teach the recitation of a "camera" providing "textual description of geographical description" for images. The examiner presented his interpretation of the claims in view of the teachings of the cited references, in that Murphy et al taught the textual descriptions in forms of image labels (in figure 1) and that how the image was transmitted over a network to a server as shown by Walker (figure 2.)

The attorney pointed out that in the present invention, the geographic descriptions are provided by the "camera" to the "processing server" automatically (without user intervention). However, the recitations are not apparent to the examiner in the presently proposed claims.

The examiner suggested that changing the terms "a device for recording an image", "an image collecting device", and "a computer system for recording an image", recited in claims 40 to 42 respectively, to read "a camera", and re-writing the claims to clearly state that the textual geographic description is captured by the camera and sent to the server, and that the server accesses the descriptive text related to the image at the geographical location automatically, might overcome the rejection under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) using Murphy et al in view of Walker.

The attorney indicated that he would proceed with filing a request for continued examination and would file an amendment to the claims including the above mentioned recommendations.